Secondary Programs Title: Industry Certification

References:

IDAPA 55.01.01 SDPTE Rules Governing Administration IDAPA 55.01.03., Section 102.02.a. SDPTE Rules of Professional-Technical Schools IDAPA 55.01.03., Section 102.02.c. SDPTE Rules of Professional-Technical Schools

In order to fulfill the requirements of IDAPA 55.01.01 and 55.01.03, Engineering and Industrial Systems (E & IS) secondary and post-secondary professional-technical education programs should culminate in an appropriate, related, industry certification. Achievement of an appropriate industry certification by graduates of an E & IS educational program ensures program alignment with industry standards and that these programs are teaching required industry competencies. Not all students will acquire the skill and knowledge level necessary to achieve full industry certification, but that should be the goal of a well designed E & IS educational program.

The industry certification process varies with each certifying agency. Most include written tests; some include practical demonstrations. In every case, the certification process is tied to tasks and skills considered essential for success in the related industry.

E & IS educational program minimum industry certifications are:

Program Industry Certification

Air Conditioning RSES
Automated Manufacturing none
Automotive Technology NATEF
Broadcasting none
Cabinetmaking none

Collision Repair NATEF (secondary), ICAR (post-secondary)

Diesel NATEF Drafting none

Electronics CEMA, or CET

Environmental Science none Industrial Mechanics none

Information Systems A+, Networking +

Journalism none Law enforcement none Photography none Precision Machining none Printing PrintEd Residential Construction NCCER Small Engine none Welding **AWS**

E & IS educational program industry certification requirements will be communicated to new E & IS programs as part of new program criteria. Industry certification will be reviewed during all E & IS educational program reviews conducted by the Division. Contact Harold Nevill, Engineering and Industrial Systems Program Manager, at 208-334-3216 or hnevill@pte.idaho.gov.

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